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Prior to examining this patent application, please enter the following amendments and consider the following remarks.

AMENDMENTS

In the Specification

PLEASE REPLACE the paragraph on page 1, lines 11 through 16 with the following amended paragraph:

This application is a continuation of Patent Application No. 09/750,668, entitled "A VIRTUAL PATH RESTORATION SCHEME USING FAST DYNAMIC MESH RESTORATION IN AN OPTICAL NETWORK", filed December 29, 2000, and having Ali N. Saleh, H. Michael Zadikian, Zareh Baghdasarian, and Vahid Parsi as inventors (which is a Continuation-in-Part Of Patent Application No. 09/232,397, filed 1/15/99 and entitled "A METHOD FOR ROUTING INFORMATION OVER A NETWORK", having A. N. Saleh, H. M. Zadikian, Z. Baghdasarian, and V. Parsi as inventors). These applications are assigned to Cisco Technology, Inc., the assignee of the present invention, and are hereby incorporated by reference, in their entirety and for all purposes.

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